GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services - MA&UD Department - Allegations of irregularities in the execution of works in Ongole Municipal Corporation by the Engineering officials of Ongole Municipal Corporation - Departmental proceedings initiated against Sri D.Srinivasa Rao, the then M.E., Ongole Municipal Corporation under under A.P. Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991 - Articles of Charges issued - Enquiry conducted - Further action dropped against Sri D.Srinivasa Rao, the then M.E., Ongole Municipal Corporation - Orders – Issued.

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MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION & URBAN DEVELOPMENT (Vig.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 291 **Dated: 23-06-2021**

Read the following:

1. From the Director General, GA (V&E) Dept., Vigilance Report No.37 (1490/V&E/E/2016), dated.10.04.2019.
2. G.O.Rt.No.607, MA&UD (Vig.II) Department, dated.20.09.2019.
3. Written Statement of Defence of Sri D.Srinivasa Rao, the then M.E., Ongole Municipal Corporation dated.Nil.
4. G.O.Rt.No.714, MA&UD (Vig.II) Department, dated.20.11.2019.
5. Inquiry Report from Sri D.Marianna, Chief Engineer & Inquiry Officer, VMC., Vijayawada, Letter, dated.13.01.2020.
6. Govt.Memo.No.2516492/Vig.II/2019, dated.06.07.2020.
7. From the ENC (PH), A.P., Guntur, Lr.No.28596/T3/OMC/V&E/ Inquiry Report/2020, dated.20.08.2020
8. Govt.Memo.No.2516492/Vig.II/2019, dated.24.02.2021.
9. Written representation from D.Srinivasa Rao, the then M.E., Ongole Municipal Corporation, dated.04.03.2021.

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O R D E R:

Whereas, in the reference 1st read above, the G.A. (V&E) Department enquired into the allegations leveled against Sri D.Srinivasa Rao, the then M.E., Ongole Municipal Corporation in committing irregularities for violation of guidelines issued in G.O.Ms.No.94, I&CAD, dt. 1.7.2003, for finalizing certain tenders in Ongole Municipal Corporation and recommended to initiate disciplinary action against Sri D.Srinivasa Rao, the then M.E., Ongole Municipal Corporation.

2. Whereas, in the reference 2nd read above, Government initiated disciplinary action against Sri D.Srinivasa Rao, the then M.E., Ongole Municipal Corporation by issuing article of charges. In the reference 3rd read above, the charged officer submitted his Written Statement of Defense duly requesting to drop further action against him and in the reference 4th read above, Sri D.Marianna, Chief Engineer, Vijayawada Municipal Corporation, was appointed as Enquiry Officer to inquire into the charges.

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3. Whereas, in the reference 5th read above, the Inquiry Officer has submitted his inquiry report against the above said charged officer and requested to take necessary action. The Inquiry Officer in his report has stated that, all the charges framed against Sri D.Srinivasa Rao, the then M.E., Ongole Municipal Corporation Municipality were held 'not proved' in the inquiry.

4. After careful examination of the matter, The ENC (PH), A.P., Guntur vide reference 6th read above, was requested to examine the Inquiry Report technically and to offer his specific remarks on the findings of the Inquiry Authority for taking further action in the matter.

5. In the reference 7th read above, the ENC (PH) furnished his specific remarks on the Inquiry report and stated that the allegations inquired by the Inquiry Officer & Chief Engineer, Vijayawada Municipal Corporation has been verified and concluded that the Inquiry Officer report is sustained. Finally, stating among other things, the ENC (PH) has requested to drop further action against the Sri D.Srinivasa Rao, the then Municipal Engineer, Ongole Municipal Corporation since the allegations are not sustained.

6. Government after careful and detailed examination of the Inquiry Report and after following due procedure, accepted the findings of the Inquiry Report and communicated the report to the charged officer Sri D.Srinivasa Rao, the then M.E., Ongole Municipal Corporation, under Rule 21 (2) of APCS (CCA) Rules, 1991 and directed to submit his written representations if any, on the findings of the Inquiry report vide reference 8th read above.

7. In the reference 9th read above, Sri D.Srinivasa Rao, the then M.E., Ongole Municipal Corporation has submitted his written explanation and stated that, he agrees with the inquiry Report and the findings of the Inquiry Officer and requested the Government to drop further action against him.

8. Government after careful examination of the matter in detail, hereby decided to drop further action on the articles of charges framed against Sri D.Srinivasa Rao, the then M.E., Ongole Municipal Corporation, as all the charges are not held proved in the inquiry.

9. Accordingly, the Government hereby drop further action against Sri D.Srinivasa Rao, the then M.E., Ongole Municipal Corporation, as all the chargesframed against him are not held proved in the inquiry.

10. The Engineer-in-Chief (Public Health), A.P., Guntur shall take further necessary action in the matter, accordingly.

11. The receipt of the G.O., shall be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

Y. SRILAKSHMI
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri D.Srinivasa Rao, the then Municipal Engineer, Ongole Municipal Corporation
Prakasam District - **through** the ENC (PH), A.P., Guntur.

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Copy to:
The Engineer-In-Chief (PH), A.P., Guntur
The Secretary to A.P. Vigilance Commission, 5th Block, A.P. Secretariat.
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SECTION OFFICER